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By Committee on Appropriations

1 On page 356, line 20, increase the climate commitment account--2 state appropriation by \$500,000 3 4 On page 356, line 30, correct the total. 5 6 On page 359, after line 38, insert the following: 7 \$500,000 of "(22) the climate commitment account--state

appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with a 9 neutral, third-party facilitator to convene an advisory process, and a 10 subject-matter expert consultant to support the advisory process. The 11 purpose of the advisory process is to make recommendations to the 12 legislature to identify a logistically practicable long-term process 13 to ensure that consumers of fuel exempt from compliance obligations 14 under chapter 70A.65 RCW are exempt, in practice, from paying for the 15 costs embedded in exempt fuel prices that are reasonably attributable 16 to or correlated with climate commitment act allowance prices. The 17 facilitator must engage relevant stakeholders in the advisory process 18 that have a direct interest in participating, including but not 19 limited to representatives of fuel suppliers, fuel distributors, an 20 association who represents fuel suppliers, an association who 21 represents fuel distributors, exempt fuel users, organizations 22 representing agricultural interests, associations of agricultural 23 product distributors and retailers, and environmental organizations. 24 Representatives of the department of ecology, department of licensing, 25 department of revenue, and the department must also be invited to 26 participate in the facilitated advisory process under this subsection. 27 The facilitator must submit the recommendations of advisory process

- 1 participants, including recommendations not supported by a majority of
- 2 advisory process participants, by December 1, 2023."

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EFFECT: Provides \$0.5M to the Department of Agriculture (WSDA) to contract for an advisory process to make recommendations to ensure consumers of fuel exempt from compliance obligations under the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) are exempt, in practice, from paying fuel costs reasonably attributed to the CCA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increases Climate Commitment Account by \$500,000.

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